UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

COLONY INSURANCE COMPANY

Plaintiff

V.

OZ SOLUTIONS, OREN ZIV, DANYA CEBUS CONSTRUCTION, LLC, THE HARTFORD INSURANCE, ENDURANCE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY D/B/A SOMPO INTERNATIONAL, JOHN DOES 1-10 (SAID PERSONS BEING UNKNOWN AND FICTITIOUS) AND ABC COMPANIES 1-10 (SAID ENTITIES BEING UNKNOWN AND FICTITIOUS)

Defendants

CASE NO.: 1:24-cv-01935 (PAE)(KHP)

STIPULATION AND PROPOSED PROTECTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, the Parties having agreed to the following terms of confidentiality, and the Court having found that good cause exists for the issuance of an appropriately tailored confidentiality order pursuant to Rule 26(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, it is hereby

ORDERED that the following restrictions and procedures shall apply to the information and documents exchanged by the parties in connection with the pre-trial phase of this Action:

- 1. Counsel for any party may designate any document or information, in whole or in part, as confidential if counsel determines, in good faith, that such designation is necessary to protect the interests of the client in information that is proprietary, a trade secret or otherwise sensitive non-public information (the "Confidential Information"). Information and documents designated by a party as confidential will be stamped "CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION."
- 2. The CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION disclosed will be held and used by the person receiving such information solely for use in connection with the Action.

- 3. In the event a party challenges another party's designation of confidentiality, counsel shall make a good faith effort to resolve the dispute, and in the absence of a resolution, the challenging party may seek resolution by the Court. Nothing in this Protective Order constitutes an admission by any party that CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION disclosed in this case is relevant or admissible. Each party reserves the right to object to the use or admissibility of the Confidential Information.
- 4. The parties should meet and confer if any production requires a designation of "For Attorneys' or Experts' Eyes Only." Such designation of documents shall not be disclosed to any person except undersigned counsel and employees of such counsel assisting in the litigation of this Action and consultants or experts retained by undersigned counsel assisting in the prosecution or defense of this Action. All documents designated as

"CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION" shall not be disclosed to any person, except:

- a. The requesting party and counsel, including in-house counsel:
- b. Other parties and counsel, including in-house counsel, in the Action;
- c. Employees of such counsel assigned to and necessary to assist in the litigation of this Action;
- d. Consultants or experts assisting in the prosecution or defense of the matter, to the extent deemed necessary by counsel; and
- e. The Court (including any mediator, or other person having access to any Confidential Information by virtue of his or her position with the Court).
- f. The Parties' respective independent auditors and reinsurers and, where required by law, federal, state and/or local regulators.
- g. The Parties' claims handling personnel and employees who are involved in evaluating and/or responding to the request for coverage resulting in this Action.
- 5. Prior to disclosing or displaying the Confidential Information to any person other than those listed in

Paragraph 4 above, counsel must:

- a. Inform the person of the confidential nature of the information or documents;
- b. Inform the person that this Court has enjoined the use of the information or documents by him/her for any purpose other than this litigation and has enjoined the disclosure of the information or documents to any other person; and
- c. Require each such person to sign an agreement to be bound by this Order in the form attached hereto.
- 6. The disclosure of a document or information without designating it as "confidential" shall not constitute a waiver of the right to designate such document or information as CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION. If so designated, the document or information shall thenceforth be treated as Confidential Information subject to all the terms of this Stipulation and Order.
- 7. Any Personally Identifying Information ("PII") (e.g., social security numbers, financial account numbers, passwords, and information that may be used for identity theft) exchanged in discovery shall be maintained by the receiving party in a manner that is secure and confidential and shared only with authorized individuals in a secure manner. The producing party may specify the minimal level of protection expected in the storage and transfer of its information. In the event the party who received PII experiences a data breach, it shall immediately notify the producing party of same and cooperate with the producing party to address and remedy the breach. Nothing herein shall preclude the producing party from asserting legal claims or constitute a waiver of legal rights and defenses in the event of litigation arising out of the receiving party's failure to appropriately protect PII from unauthorized disclosure.
- 8. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence 502, the production of privileged or work-product protected documents or communications, electronically stored information ("ESI"), or information, whether inadvertent or otherwise, shall not constitute a waiver of the privilege or protection from discovery in this case or in any other federal or state proceeding. This Order shall be interpreted to provide the

maximum protection allowed by Federal Rule of Evidence 502(d). Nothing contained herein is intended to or shall serve to limit a party's right to conduct a review of documents, ESI or information (including metadata) for responsiveness and/or segregation relevance. privileged and/or protected information before production.

- Notwithstanding the designation of information 9. "CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION" in discovery, there is no presumption that such information shall be filed with the Court under seal. The parties shall follow the Court's procedures with respect to filing under seal.
- At the conclusion of litigation, Confidential Information and 10. any copies thereof shall be maintained in accordance with each party's document retention protocol or promptly (and in no event later than 30 days after entry of final judgment no longer subject to further appeal) returned to the producing party or certified as destroyed, except that the parties' counsel shall be permitted to retain their working files on the condition that those files will remain protected.
- Nothing herein shall preclude the parties from disclosing 11. material designated to be Confidential Information if otherwise required by law or pursuant to a valid subpoena.

SO STIPULATED AND AGREED.

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Dated:10/10/2024

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10/10/2024

GRANTED.

SO ORDERED.

PAUL A. ENGELMAYER United States District Judge

Date: December 13, 2024

<u>Agreement</u>

I have been informed by counsel that certain documents or information to be disclosed to me in connection with the matter entitled have been designated as confidential. I have been informed that any such documents or information labeled "CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION" are confidential by Order of the Court.

I hereby agree that I will not disclose any information contained in such documents to any other person. I further agree not to use any such information for any purpose other than this litigation.

Signed in the presence of:	